

Spotlight on Pendleton...

Location & Climate

Located in the northwestern area of the state, the Pendleton WIA is comprised of three counties: Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens. This region experiences average temperatures in the upper 50s to lower 60s and has between 45.89 and 60.79 inches of precipitation annually.

Population

Total Area Population 2004: 355,082
Male: 49.0% **Female:** 51.0%
White: 86.0% **Nonwhite:** 14.0%

Employment

Average monthly employment in 2004 for counties across the Pendleton WIA ranged from 29,586 in Oconee to 77,756 in Anderson.

Labor Force

The labor force in the Pendleton area reached 172,753 in 2004. The 2004 unemployment rate spanned from 6.8% to 7.4%, showing an increase since 2003.

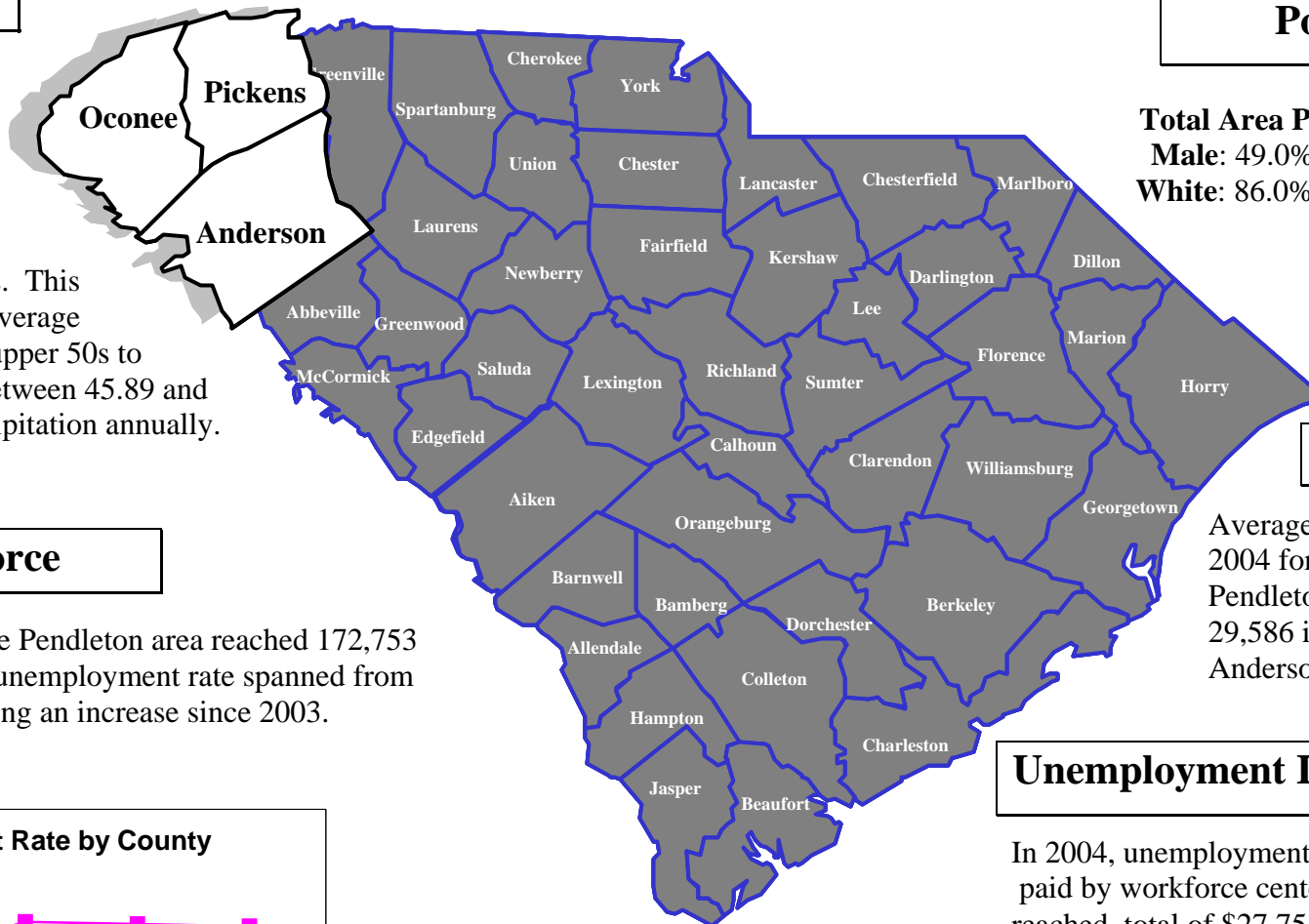
Unemployment Insurance Benefits

In 2004, unemployment insurance benefits paid by workforce centers in the Pendleton WIA reached total of \$27,754,981.

Per Capita Income

Per capita income for Pendleton WIA counties in 2003 ranged from \$23,593 in Pickens County to \$26,201 in Oconee County, between 90% and 100% of the state's PCI of \$26,144.

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Unemployment Rate by County

